

2006 Current Fiscal Year Report: CCSP Product Development Committee for Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.1

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Commerce

2. Fiscal Year

2006

3. Committee or Subcommittee

CCSP Product Development Committee for Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.1

3b. GSA

Committee No.

25155

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

10/07/2005

6. Expected Renewal Date

7. Expected Term Date

09/19/2006

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

Yes

8b. Specific Termination Authority

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8c. Actual Term Date

09/19/2006

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Terminate

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

11. Establishment Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Secretarial Decision Memorandum

13. Effective Date

08/18/2005

14. Committee Type

Ad hoc

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

2

16b. Report Date

03/15/2006

Report Title
Temperature trends in the lower atmosphere... 3rd Draft

05/02/2006

Temperature trends in the lower atmosphere: ... Final

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 2

17a. Open 1 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 1

Meetings and Dates

Purpose

To discuss the resolution of comments on CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.1. received during the public comment period that ended on January 4, 2006

Start

End

02/08/2006 - 02/09/2006

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

Current FY Next FY

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$16,000.00 \$0.00

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$22,000.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$8,400.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$900.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$140,000.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$187,300.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.10	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee was charged with developing language for the Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Synthesis and Assessment Product that addressed Topic 1.1:

Temperature trends in the lower atmosphere -- steps for understanding and reconciling differences. The committee met in open session on February 8-9, 2006 to review public comments received on the second draft, and a final draft was posted on the CCSP web-site on March 15, 2006 and presented to the CCSP Principals for review and forwarding to the NSTC (National Science and Technology Council) for final approval. The Final Report was posted on May 2, 2006.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Members were chosen to assure a balanced representation of scientific views among preeminent scientists, educators, and experts reflecting the full scope of the scientific issues addressed in CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.1.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The committee held one meeting to review public comments on the second draft report. This meeting was a critical step in developing a third and final draft of the Product.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Committee was essential so that the Secretary of Commerce could comply with duties imposed on the Department, including the Global Change Research Act of 1990 (P.L. No. 101-606, Section 106), and NOAA could meet its CCSP lead agency responsibilities for development of this Synthesis and Assessment Product. There was no other source available to provide the advice given by the Committee.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A -- no closed meetings of the FACA committee were held.

21. Remarks

None

Designated Federal Officer

Christopher D Miller DFO

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Christy, John	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Folland, Chris	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Forest, Chris	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hurrell, Jim	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Karl, Thomas	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Lanzante, John	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Mears, Carl	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Meehl, Jerry	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Parker, David	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Penner, Joyce	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Peterson, Thomas	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Ramaswamy, V.	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Reynolds, Richard	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Santer, Ben	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Seidel, Dian	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Sherwood, Steven	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Spencer, Roy	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Thorne, Peter	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Vinnikov, Konstantin	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Vose, Russell	11/10/2005	09/19/2006	Scientist	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Wentz, Frank	11/10/2005	11/09/2007	Scientist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 21

Narrative Description

This Committee supported NOAA in fulfilling lead agency responsibilities for development of the U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Synthesis and Assessment Product addressing Topic 1.1: Temperature trends in the lower atmosphere - steps for understanding and reconciling differences. It is in direct support of the Strategic Plan Mission Goal To Understand Climate Variability and Change to Enhance Society's Ability to Plan and Respond.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety

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Trust in government

☐

Major policy changes

☐

Advance in scientific research

☐

Effective grant making

☐

Improved service delivery

☐

Increased customer satisfaction

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Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements ☐

Other ☒

Outcome Comments

The Product developed by this committee was the first Synthesis and Assessment Product successfully completed. It demonstrates the value of this series of synthesis products and provides a sound basis for public debate, policy, and operational decisions.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None ☒

Unable to Determine ☐

Under \$100,000 ☐

\$100,000 - \$500,000 ☐

\$500,001 - \$1,000,000 ☐

\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 ☐

\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 ☐

Over \$10,000,000 ☐

Cost Savings Other ☐

Cost Savings Comments

The Committee deliberations did not include consideration of, or recommendations regarding, cost reductions or avoidance.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

1

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Committee agreed on the contents of the product and advised NOAA to adopt the language contained in the Final Draft of the Synthesis and Assessment Product.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

100%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The Final Report, based on the language developed by the FACA committee, was approved and posted on the CCSP web-site on May 2, 2006. In conformance with

Guidelines for Producing CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Products, the final version of Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.1 was released subsequent to consideration and approval by the CCSP Interagency Committee and the National Science and Technology Council.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Not Applicable.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☒

Agency Feedback Comments

NA

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

The agency action taken as a result of the Committee advice was forwarding the Final Draft of the Synthesis and Assessment Report to the Climate Change Science Program for approval and release.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

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| Contact DFO | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Access Comments

Committee Web site address: <http://www.climate.noaa.gov/index.jsp?pg=../ccsp/11.jsp>